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V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1.	. Statement				
	Novelty (N)	Claims 1 – 17	YES		
		Claims	NO		
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1 – 17	YES		
		Claims	NO		
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1 - 17	YES		
		Claims	NO		

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The following international search report citations have been considered for the purpose of this statement:

D1: EP 1138836 A

D2: DE 4416038 A

D3: GB 2242926 A

D4: DE 3819330 A

Novelty (N) Claims 1 – 17

The claims are novel because none of the citations discloses the combination of a rain water tank, a water level sensor for the rain water tank, a water pump to pump water from the rain water tank, a non-return valve downstream of the pump, a pressure sensor downstream of the non-return valve, a three port valve downstream from the pressure sensor, and a control means for operatively receiving inputs from the water level sensor, pressure sensor and mains electricity suppy and controlling the water pump and the three port valve.

Inventive step (IS) Claims 1-17

The claims involve an inventive step for the same reason above.

Industrial applicability (IA) Claims 1 – 17

The claims satisfy the requirements for industrial applicability.